

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. A conveyer-belt sushi control system, controlling sushi distributed by a conveyer belt, comprising:  
a detection means for detecting an identifier distributed together with sushi; and  
5 a counting means for commencing counting of an amount of sushi distributed by said conveyer belt, in response to a detection output of said detection means.

2. The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 1, wherein said identifier includes information indicating a kind of sushi distributed subsequent to said identifier.

3. The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 1, wherein said counting means reads information of said identifier and counts an amount of sushi per kind of sushi.

4. The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 1, further comprising a means for ordering a foodstuff required for preparation of sushi based on the counted amount of sushi.

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5. The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 1, wherein said counting means calculates an amount of sushi prepared and an amount of sushi consumed by counting an amount of sushi going out of a kitchen and an amount of sushi coming back to the kitchen.

6. The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 1, wherein  
said counting means includes  
a first counting means counting an amount of sushi per identifier,  
5 and  
a second counting means counting an amount of sushi per kind of

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~~SUB A2~~ sushi, based on a counted result of said first counting means.

5 7. A conveyer-belt sushi control system, controlling sushi distributed by a conveyer belt,  
said sushi being arranged on a plate,  
said plate being provided with information for identifying said plate,  
said system comprising:  
a detection means for detecting an identifier distributed together with sushi;  
a determination means for determining a kind of sushi arranged on said plate, based on the identifier detected by said detection means; and  
10 a storage means for storing a determination result of said determination means, to be associated with said information for identifying said plate.

8. The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 7, wherein said identifier includes information indicating a kind of sushi distributed subsequent to said identifier.

9. The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 7, comprising a storage means for storing a time period elapsed after preparation of a product, to be associated with said information for identifying said plate.

10. The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 9, further comprising a disposal means for disposing of a product when a predetermined time has elapsed after preparation of said product.

11. The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 10, wherein said predetermined time is changed depending on a kind of a product.

12. The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 7,

comprising a storage means for storing a win flag to be associated with said information for identifying said plate.

13. A conveyer-belt sushi control system controlling sushi distributed by a conveyer belt,  
said sushi being mounted on a plate,  
said plate being provided with information for identifying said plate,  
said system comprising:  
a storage means for storing a win flag to be associated with said information for identifying said plate.

14. The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 13, said information for identifying said plate is read and a win flag corresponding to said plate is examined, to determine whether or not there is a winner.

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